TO THE MEMBERS OF THE IAC:

Page three of IAC-M-94, 15 January 1953 has been revised in accordance with General Samford's request at the last IAC meeting. The recipients are requested to destroy the original and substitute the attached page.

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the policy makers. He recognized that the courses of action most likely to be adopted by the Soviets would not necessarily be determined by these studies. Nevertheless, he felt that examination of the subjects proposed would be a start toward the type of study that would permit our estimates to be prepared deliberately and carefully in advance of policy makers' requests. He said that the new administration would probably require a more vitalized approach, that the four proposals were only a beginning, and that hard thinking would be required if such a development were to be successful. Mr. Armstrong thought the JIG proposal a good one, but saw difficulties in scheduling the work of his people in this regard in the face of inadequate staff. He suggested that when we had made considerable progress in developing the studies on the regional approach we might be in a better position, within our personnel capabilities, to attack this problem.

- 6. General Samford stated his view that it is most desirable to expand our planned estimate coverage to subjects more closely and accurately related to National Security Council problems, and that we must be imaginative and farsighted to do this. He did not endorse the subjects presented by General Porter as necessarily accomplishing the end intended but requested that General Porter's views be accurately recorded in the minutes to provide a reference for further consideration of this problem. General Porter indicated that he himself was not entirely clear as to the exact form that the terms of reference for these studies might take. However, he offered to submit a draft terms of reference of one of these subjects for interagency discussion.
- 7. The acting Chairman noted that the incoming administration would be reviewing major U. S. policies, that such review would carry the usual requirement for an intelligence estimate, and that members of the IAC should accordingly make every effort to identify at the earliest possible moment such intelligence requirements.

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